

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Thursday, August 18, 1726.

From the Flying Post, Aug. 11.

Vienna, Aug. 3.

**O**N the 1st Instant, and not before, the Corpse of Prince Maximilian of Hanover was deposited in the Church of the Jesuites of the Great Imperial College, and not in that of the bare-footed Augustines, as was reported. 'Tis said the Deceast desired his Remains might be carried to Hanover, there to be interred in the Tombs of his Ancestors; but this depends on the good Pleasure of the K. of G. Britain. We are assured, that his Will consists of the four following Articles: 1. That the Officers of the Invalids be Heirs to all his Estate, and even to a Feofment of Trust of 536206 Rixdollars, which he has on the Chamber of Hanover. 2. That 3000 Rixdollars be applied to his Funerals, and a like Sum for Masses for the Repose of his Soul. 3. That 24000 Rixdollars be distributed to his Domesticks, every one in Proportion to the Salary he had. And 4. That 12000 Florins be set apart for the Jesuites College at Cologn, for the Introduction of Three Jesuites Invalid.

**Hamburg, Aug. 9.** The last Letters from the Baltick say, That some light Fregats from the Russian Fleet are almost continually hovering round the united Squadrons of G. Britain and Denmark; but they take care not to come too near, for fear of being obliged to strike their Top-sail. They write from Petersburg, that several Thousand Soldiers are embarking in all Haste on board the 150 Gallies formerly mentioned, and that they have Orders to go and join the Russian Fleet, in order to put to Sea forthwith.

**Madrid, July 31.** The Citizen and Wax-chandler (late of London) who has taken upon himself the Stile and Title of Duke of Northumberland, is retired to his Country-seat near this Town, together with his Lady, whose Name is *Auberne*. The Sums hitherto sent by this Court to Vienna, do amount to 600,000 Pistoles, and the 400,000 which are yet to be sent thither, to satisfy the Engagements, are ready to be transmitted in Bills of Exchange. Troops are still filing off towards the Plains of Vicq to form a Camp there, others are

marching towards Guipuscoa, and the Frontiers of Castille, to be near the Provinces of Galicia and Biscay. We have such excessive Heats here, that the like have not been seen for many Years.

**Rome, July 27.** 'Tis said Letters are come from China, by a Ship which returned from that Empire to London in five Months, importing, among other Things, That the two Theresian Fathers whom the Pope sent thither with a present for the Emperor of China, having had the Honour to deliver it to him in a private Audience which they had of him, the said Emperor received them very graciously; That he referred all the Affairs of the Europeans to the Direction of the Prince his 13th Brother; and that the latter had assured the European Missionaries, that he would leave them at full Liberty to discharge their Functions. They add likewise, that the said Emperor has sent a magnificent Present to the Pope, accompanied with a Letter, wherein he wishes him a long and happy Reign, with perfect Health.

From the St. James's Evening-Post, Aug. 11.

**Hague, Aug. 16.** The Court of Madrid has not yet returned an Answer to the Memorial presented to his Catholick Majesty by Colonel Stanhope, complaining of the forcible taking of the D. de Ripperda, and of the Violence thereby offered to his House, which by the Law of Nations is a privileged Place; and demanding Satisfaction for the said Violation. Mr. Vander-meer is even of the Opinion, that the Spanish Ministry will rather propose to enter into Negociation thereon, which may draw out into a Length. The Count Coningseck, Ambassador of the Emperor, presses the Spanish Ministers very hard to give Colonel Stanhope a flat Denial of the Satisfaction he demands, which however they will not be very forward to do.

**Versailles, Aug. 15.** On the 10th Inst. the King went to hear Mass in the Chapel of the Castle, and *Te Deum* was sung to Musick for the Recovery of his Majesty's Health. The next Day the Court went into Mourning for the Death of the Dutches of Orleans.

**London, Aug. 11.** We hear the Duke of Bolton to be made Governor of the Isle of Wight, and



Duke of Argile Constable of the Tower, in's Grace's Stead.

*From the Whitehall Evening-Post, Aug. 11.*

*Messina, July 15.* The English Merchants settled in this Capital, or in the other Towns of this Island, are selling off their Lands and Merchandises at 25 per Cent. Loss, upon Apprehension of their being seized if a War should break out. Our Viceroy having been to view all the Maritime Places between this City and Cape Pessaro, has given Directions for augmenting the Fortifications of Syracusa and Catania.

*Paris, August 10.* The Duke of Orleans is inconsolable for the Loss of his Dutchess, inasmuch, that when he first heard the News of her Death he fainted away; and as soon as he came to himself he went with her Royal Highness his Mother to the Convent of Magdalen of Fresnes. The Court intends to stay some Time at Fountainbleau; and Yesterday Mr. Bozeel Ambassador from the States General went thither to hire a House. P. S. The Queen being worse than ever. Several Physicians were sent for from here, and 'tis said that Night her Majesty was let Blood in the Throat.

*Paris, Aug. 15.* The Abatement of the Queen's Fever and other Accidents which were the Cause of her Illness, gave Reason to think on the 8th Inst. that her Majesty would be perfectly well in a few Days; but the Hopes of Recovery so speedily as was desired, were damped at Night by another violent Fit of her Fever, which concluding with frequent Attacks, the Queen who had already confessed herself, desired to have the Sacrament; and on the 13th at 6 in the Evening, her Majesty received the Viaticum from the late Bishop of Frejus, her Great Almoner, with the exemplary Devotion which regulates all her Actions. The King accompanied by the Princes, Princesses, the great Officers of State, and the most considerable Persons at Court repairing to the Chapel of Versailles Castle, his Majesty followed the Holy Sacrament to the Queen's Apartment, and came back again with it to the Chapel. On the 13th the Parliament gave an Arrest for uncovering the Shrine of St. Genevieve, and the same Day the Prayers of 40 Hours were begun in the Church of Nostre Dame for the Queen's Recovery.

*London, Aug. 11.* On Sunday last a Blind Horse run away with his Rider at Brentstreet near Hampstead; and a Person not knowing he had no Eyes, endeavouring to stop him by extending his Arms,

and standing in the middle of the Road, was unhappily road over, whereby his Skull was broken, and his Body miserably bruised, so that he died next Day.

His Grace the Duke of Athole with his Dutchess set out for Scotland but the 9th Inst. They met on the Road her Grace the Dutchess Dowager of Athole, who is come to live at Little Chelsea, in order to have her younger Son Lord Frederick to be brought up there in the same Boarding School where her Grace's two eldest Sons Lord John and Lord Edward Murray are brought up.

Friday Night last the Lady of the Count de Broglie Ambassador of France, arrived here from Paris, where she staid to ly in, and the Count went to Dover to meet her.

We hear his Majesty has been pleased to grant a Pension of 3000 L. to his Grace the Duke of Grafton.

The Noble and Right Honourable Sir Robert Walpole intended on Monday last to have given a great Entertainment to the Foreign Ministers, &c. at Chelsea, on Occasion of the Accession of the States General to the Treaty of Hanover; but by Reason of his Brother's Death the Day before, he sent to desire their Excuse, and has since seen no Company.

*Wye's Letter, verbatim, Aug. 13.*

*No Foreign Mails this Post.*

THE Czarina, in her Answer to the K. of G. Britain's Letter, said, *That as she did not prescribe Laws to others, so she would not suffer herself to be prescribed:* But by Letters from Mittaw we find, that she is for obliging the Courlanders to chuse a Person of her own Appointment for their Governor; at the same Time representing to them the dismal Scheme of Misery and Calamities, in case of Non-compliance with her Demands. But to all this it was answered by those of Courland, That as they had the Right of a free Election, they could not, without giving it up, submit to a Prince who should be forced upon them; That as to the Miseries they are threatned with, they knew their Country lay open, and could not withstand the Russian Forces; but that their Cause was just, and having the powerful Assistance of Poland, they could not be frightened with Menaces.

This Affair will not hasten the Conclusion of the Alliance that was said to be negotiating between Mo-



Moscovy and Poland, but may probably produce a War betwixt them. But whether this, as some think, will induce the Czarina to a Compliance with the Proposals of the K. of G. Britain, we must refer to Time to discover.

There is advice that the Pyrate Snow lately mentioned to have been seen off Virginia, having forced from other Ships so many Men, that they outnumbered her own Crew, so that they took the Opportunity to fall upon them, killing some and seizing others, and afterwards carried her into New-York. The King's Man of War arrived at Barbadoes the 17th of June last from the Coast of Guinea, in Company with several Merchant Ships. We also learn by Letters from Jamaica, that the Diamond Man of War has been very successful in her Chase of the Pyrates, having taken several of their Ships particularly that commanded by Spriggs, but he found Means to escape. These Letters add, that Admiral Hoffer was seen steering with his Squadron towards Porto Bello.

We have no Account of Sir John Jennings Squadron since he sailed from Torbay, nor nothing new from Admiral Wager. Our S. S. Company's Greenland Ships here, had a much better Voyage than was at first reported, two of the Ships which came up the River Yesterday, having on board 8 1 half Whales, and two other of the 24. Ships are not yet arrived. The Syria, another rich Ship from the South Seas is arrived at Dover. Matthew Westhall Esq; one of the Council at Fort St. George is appointed by the East India Company Governour of their Factory at Patna on the Ganges.

Mr Preston the City Remembrancer, was Yesterday chosen Clerk of the Vintners Company, in Room of Mr. Bernardston.

Governor Harrison's Seat in Parliament being vacant by his accepting of the Office of Postmaster-General, his Brother stands Candidate for Hertford in his Room.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Walpole is so well recovered, that since our last he has been to wait upon his Majesty at Kensington. And William Pultney, Esq; continues in such a fair Way of Recovery from his Distemper of the Fever, as to leave no Room to doubt but that he will be able to attend the Service of the House next Sessions of Parliament.

Fifteen Jews, who lately escaped from the Inquisition in Portugal, and came hither, brought with them 600,000 l. in Ingots.

The D. de Riparda continues still under Confinement in the Castle of Segovia.

*From the London Gazette, Aug. 13.*

*Madrid, Aug. 5.* N. S. Count Coningsleck the Emperor's Ambassador, is gone this Day to Balfain, where he will stay during their Catholic Majesty's Residence at St. Ildefonso. The Marquis de Grimaldo is recovered of his late Indisposition, but 'tis not yet known when he will go to St. Ildefonso. On the 30th of last Month, a Contract was made between the King of Spain's Treasurer, and Don Cesar Rubini, a Banker of this Town, for remitting 400,000 Pistoles to Vienna.

*Dublin, Aug. 1.* This being the Anniversary of his Majesty's happy Accession to the Throne, the great Guns were fired at the Barracks, and answered by Volleys from the Regiments on Duty, which were drawn up upon Oxmantown Green. At Noon the Lords Justices met at the Castle, and received the Compliments of the Nobility, &c. and the Night concluded with Bonfires, &c.

The Parliament, which stood prorogued to the 11th of August, is further prorogued to the 23d Day of March next.

*From the St. James's Evening Post, Aug. 13.*

*Hamburg, Aug. 2.* By the last Letters from Dantzick we have Advice, That the Duke of Mecklenburg has at length accepted of the Conditions imposed upon him by the Emperor, to be restored to the Possession of his Dominions; and that he is preparing to return forthwith actually to Domitz, where his Spouse arrived the Beginning of the last Month.

*London, Aug. 13.* We hear that Baron Spar will embark next Monday or Tuesday on board a Frigate for Stockholm, to be present at the Debates in the ensuing Senate, which is summoned by the King of Sweden upon the Affair of the Accession of that Kingdom to the Treaty of Hanover.

S. S. Stock, 106, 18th. York Buildings, 12, 1 half.

*From Mif's Weekly Journal, Aug. 13.*

From the Hague we learn, That the Ministers of France England and Prussia, being invited to a Committee of the States General, upon the Subject of the Treaty of Hanover; the Accession of the States was agreed to and signed by all Parties present, except the Minister of Prussia, who gave no other Reason for his Declining, except that he had not received Orders to sign.

In the mean Time this Affair occasions various Conjectures; Some will have it, that his Court is not satisfied with the Terms on which the States are come in: Others again imagine, that the Difference between the King of Prussia and the Prince of Nassau-Frisland, in which the States have made themselves Parties, may be the Cause of this unexpected Stop. A few Days will shew whether there be any Thing in these Surmises.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

¶ There is to be run for at *Huntly-Castle*, upon the Second Thursday of September next, and to be continued Yearly thereafter, a *PLATE* of Ten Pound Sterling Value, given by His Grace the *DUKE OF GORDON*; by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, not exceeding Thirteen Hands and Two Inches high, to be measured any Time the Week before Running (with their Shoes on) in Presence of a Judge to be appointed by HIS GRACE for that Effect. All Horses to be admitted to run, must be at Huntly some Time before the Sun set on the Thursday preceeding the Day of the Race, and their Arrival to be intimate to HIS GRACE's Factor at Huntly, and there to be kept till the Race be over: And the winning Horse to be sold for One Hundred Merks, if requir'd by the Judge of the Race. The ordinary Course of the Race is to be run Twice round at one Heat. No Horse or Mare that has once won the said Plate, will thereafter be permitted to run. Each Rider, before Running, is to pay a Crown, to be distributed to the Poor.

Edinburgh, 25th July 1726.

## By Order of the MAGISTRATES.

\* That a *GALLOWAY PLATE*, given by the Town of Leith, value *L. 25 sterl.* will be run for on the Sands of Leith on the *Seventeenth of September* next, by Galloways carrying Nine Stones English, including Whip, Saddle and Bridle; to run 3 Heats, four Miles each, or twice round the Sands. The Horses are to start betwixt the Hours of 10 & 11 before Noon. The other Conditions and Rules for running of this Plate, are the same with those for running the City of Edinburgh's Plate; with this Difference, That each Person shall at Booking pay only One Guinea.

¶ That the *KING'S PLATE*, value 100 Guineas, will be run for on the Sands of Leith the *Nineteenth of September* next, by any Horse, Mare or Gelding carrying Eleven Stones English, allowing Whip, Saddle and Bridle to be Part thereof; to run Three Heats four Miles, or twice round the Sands. The Horses to start betwixt 11 & 12 in the Forenoon. No Jostling or Crossing to be allowed; and all Disputes are to be determined by the Lord Provost and Magistrates, who are to be with the Flags at the Starting and Distance-posts. The Distance-post is to be Ten score Yards from the Starting-post. The Rider, after each Heat, is to take off his Saddle himself,

and carry it with him the Moment he dismounts to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing a Pound for Waste. Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat, for Rubbing. If three single Horses gains each of them a Heat, the Horse that gains the last Heat, gets the Plate; Or, if any Horse gains the first two Heats, he gets the Plate. If any Horse, Mare or Gelding runs on the wrong Side of any of the Posts, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the same Way, and run right, or be adjudged as distanced. If the Water comes in upon the Course, the Posts are to be brought in during Rubbing, at the Direction of the Judges. The Flag at the starting-post to be dropt the Moment the first Horse's Head is seen to be past it, at the End of each Heat. And in case, by the Sea's not going far enough out, the Sands should allow but a short Course, it shall be in the Power of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands. The Flag at the Distance-post to be dropt at the same Time with that at the Starting post; and all the Horses that are not seen to be past the Distance post at that Time, are adjudged as distanced, and have no Right to run again.

\* The *Silver Plate* given by the Town of Edinburgh, to the Value of 50 L. Sterling, will be run for on the Sands of Leith, on the 20th of September next, by any Horse Mare or Gelding, carrying ten Stone English Weight, allowing Whip, Saddle, and Bridle, to run three Heats, each Heat being four Miles, or twice round the Sands. The Horses are to start betwixt Twelve and One Mid-day. No Jostling or Crossing to be allowed, and all Disputes are to be determined by the Lord Provost, and Magistrates, who are to be with the Flags, at the Starting and Distance Posts. The Distance Post is to be ten score Yards from the Starting Post. The Rider after each Heat is to take off his Saddle himself, and to carry it with him that Moment he dismounts, to the Scales, and is to be allowed in weighing one Pound for Waste. Half an Hour is allowed at the End of each Heat for Rubbing. If three single Horses gains each of them a Heat, the Horse that gains the last Heat gets the Plate, or if any Horse gains the first two Heats, gets the Plate. If any Horse or Gelding runs on the wrong Side of any of the Posts, or runs down any of them, they are to run back the same Way, and turn right, or else they are adjudged as distanced. If the Water comes in upon the Course, the Posts are to be brought in during the Time of Rubbing, at the Directions of the Judges. The Flag at the Starting Post to be dropt the Moment the first Horses Head is seen to be past it, at the End of each Heat; and in case by the Sea's not going far enough out, the Sands should allow but a short Course, it shall be in the Power of the Judges, any Time before the Race, to appoint each Heat to be run thrice round the Sands. That the Horses which are to run for this Plate, being three at least, must be at Leith eight Days before the Days of the Race, and be booked forty eight Hours before running, and to pay two Guineas each at Booking.